

Children's Ministry Tool Box - Course Schedule:

Monday –

Unit 1 – Introduction and Curriculum – Structure for a Program

Unit 2 – Leading Games

Unit 3 – Leading Singing

Tuesday-

Unit 4 – Teaching Memory Verses

- Quiz show (Always review)

Unit 5 - Leading Small Group Bible Study (Review)

Wednesday—

Unit 6 – Puppetry & Crafts

Unit 7 – Storytelling and Reading a Picture book to children

Unit 8 – Leading a Child to Christ

Thursday –

Unit 9 – Capturing their attention – Gathering a Crowd – Balloon Twisting

Unit 10 – Bible Story Drama – Mime & Clown

Group Work – create a program for tomorrow night

Friday –

Review

Putting the whole program together – Team Presentations

Final Touches – Child Protection and Safety / Know their names / Who are your leaders?/ contact info for families and children/ Follow Up/ Use program to lead into Church.

Assignment - Create your own program and turn in one week from today.

The Components of a GREAT Camp/VBS/Sunday School/Kid's Program:

Tips to ORDER the components of your Program:

GAMES

Why Have Games:

Safety Tips

Purposes of Games:

Build Relationships _____

Build Trust _____

Build Unity _____

Build confidence _____

Build Faith _____

Games to Avoid

Goals for ALL Games:

Everybody Plays . . . Nobody gets Hurt . . . Everybody has Fun . . . Build Lasting Relationships!

Teaching Memory Verses

Why Teach Memory Verses

Creatively Introduce the Verse:

How to Encourage Children to Memorize Scripture:

Key Scripture Passages to teach Children:

Balloon Twisting

Why Use Balloons

Balloon Tips:

Teaching Children to Twist Balloons

Twist with a Gospel Message

Ways to Use Balloons to Capture their Attention:

Quiz Show/ Review

Why Review . . . with a Quiz Show

Quiz Show Tips:

Using Different Types of Questions

Other Ideas

Leading Singing

Why Use Songs and Music?

Song Time Tips:

Fun Songs -

More Worshipful Songs

Scripture Memory Songs

PUPPETRY

Why Use Puppets

Puppetry Tips:

Having Children Play with Puppets:

Making Puppets

Ways to USE Puppets:

Crafts

Why Use Crafts

Making Craft time Excellent:

List some Crafts YOU have enjoyed . . .

What NOT to try during Craft Time

Brainstorm some Craft ideas with your group:

Story Telling

Why Use Stories?

Story Telling Tips:

Reading Picture Books:

Dos and Don'ts When Reading	
DO	DON'T
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Speak clearly, and loud enough for everyone to hear• Read slowly• Sit up• Hold the book to the side, with the words and pictures facing the audience• Be animated- speak with an engaging tone, use voices, and change your tone based on the words. Practicing this in advance is helpful• React to what's happening, laugh at the jokes, or frown when something goes wrong• Keep audience focused on the story• Ask and answer questions• Have fun!	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shout or whisper• Read too quickly• Slouch or lay down• Cover your face with the book, or look down at it, you want to be able to keep your eyes on the class• Don't read with the story facing you and then flip the book to show the picture• Speak in a monotone, or in a way contrary to what the words are saying Ex. Using a chirpy/happy voice when the character is sad• Allow off-topic discussion, if this occurs, attention can be redirected to the book by saying "We can talk about this later, but now let's continue with the story"• Ignore the audience's questions
Don't forget to read the title of the book and identify the author and illustrator before starting.	

Small Group Bible Study

Preparing to teach the Bible

4 types of Questions

Opening Questions _____

Fact Questions _____

Interpretation Questions _____

Application Questions _____

Preparing the Room/Space for a Great Bible Study

Managing your Group

More Tips YOU can Share:

Planning YOUR PROGRAM: Theme: _____

Game _____

Things you need: _____

Introduction: _____

Rules: _____

Safety Issues: _____

Other _____

Songs:

Fun Songs _____

Worship Songs _____

Scripture Songs _____

Who Leads/Plays _____

Puppet(s)

Which Puppet(s) _____

Goal for Puppets _____

Story/Play/Skit _____

Quiz Time

Leaders: _____

Prizes: _____

Questions: _____

Memory Verse: _____

Introduction: _____

Memory Technique: _____

Leader(s): _____

When will you review it? _____

Bible Story/Drama/Picture Book: _____

Leader/Actors: _____

Group Bible Study (Diggers)

Passage: _____

BIG IDEA/TRUTH:

Opening Question(s)

Fact Questions:

Interpretation Questions:

Application Questions:

Programming for Children Resources:

Scripture songs

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=FBTI54IacLI>

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=3BBmKKKcrJA>

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=hpDrndhk1ko>

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=HL_JwHDVaXw

<https://thepurposefulmom.com/our-favorite-scripture-music-for-kids.html>

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=FUR1ufexry0&list=PL6WQHrf4_KbX4kcoet8xr9UMtX9q1iPIR&pp=iAQB8AUB

https://m.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL6WQHrf4_KbX4kcoet8xr9UMtX9q1iPIR

Youth Group Games online-

<https://growcurriculum.org/youth-group-games/>

<https://youthgroupgames.org>

Children games

<https://www.familyfuntwincities.com/indoor-games-for-kids/>

Scripture Union Curriculum Resources

<https://www.jeffini.com/grenadaministry.html>

Puppetry

<https://puppetnerd.com>

<https://www.youtube.com/@PuppetNerd>

Balloon Twisting

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLm6Dxs_LT4DnNFqr40nYfrH5GDToRAMzS

Reading Aloud Tips

<https://www.readingrockets.org/topics/reading-aloud/articles/hints-how-read-aloud-group#>